

CARLTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held at Saint Andrew's Community Hub, Main Street, Carlton at 7pm on Wednesday 13th November 2024

Present: S G Tupling (Chairman), R G Arnold, J H Boston, I Sarson, M A Vann (Councillors), 1 member of the public, C J Peat (Clerk).

1. Administrative matters

a) Apologies for absence from Councillors

There were none.

b) Declarations of interests (including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) and requests for dispensations in respect of items on the agenda

Cllr Sarson declared an interest in item 4.

2. Minutes of the meeting of 11th September 2024

It was resolved that the minutes be confirmed and they were signed by the Chairman.

3. Reports, questions and comments from the following

a) Parish Councillors

Cllrs Arnold and Boston reported numerous lorries, including articulated vehicles, passing through the village, some at high speed. The village was within a 7.5 tonne weight limit zone, but there were many building sites within this zone and the limit did not apply to vehicles delivering to them. Both Councillors had also been approached by local residents who wished to see a 20mph speed limit introduced in the village (p.1877/10a refers).

It was noted that cars near to The Gate were frequently parked in contravention of the Highway Code – all over both road junctions and facing the wrong way at night – creating hazards for road users and pedestrians.

b) Leicestershire County Council

Cllr B Harrison-Rushton **was thanked** for advice on permissible highways schemes and flooding matters, and information about a consultation on a Customer Experience Strategy intended to improve communication with LCC.

c) Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council

Cllr M A Cook **was thanked** for a report on Borough matters. Borough Councillors had been advised to declare an interest, leave the room and not vote on any planning application in their ward. This advice had been questioned with H&BBC; those present at the PC meeting thought it was incorrect and that it was the duty of a local Councillor with local knowledge to be present and vote on applications in their ward.

H&BBC planned to introduce food waste collections in 2025.

H&BBC expected to secure £3,561,951.77 in s106 contributions; had secured £2.6m over 3 years from UKSPF and £400k from the Rural England Prosperity Fund. H&BBC currently

employed 456 staff of whom 48% were men and 52% women; 23% worked part-time; 53.9% lived in the Borough. 70% of senior roles were held by women and 30% by men.

d) Carlton Neighbourhood Watch group

Ms R Yule had reported that in Carlton in July there had been 1 vehicle crime, 3 violent or sexual offences, and 2 criminal damage and/or arson offences. There had been no reported crime in August or September.

e) Parish Clerk

Bespoke training course – had been delivered on 28/10 and attended by all Councillors and the Clerk (p.1948/6, 1951/3f refer).

Barton/Bosworth Rds – had been nominated as a site of community concern over speeding with the LLR Road Safety Partnership. Covert speed measuring devices had been noted on 4/11.

Nailstone Rd – Cllr Sarson and the Clerk **were thanked** for cutting back vegetation which had been obscuring the *Give Way* sign, and for straightening up the *30mph* sign which had been knocked crooked (p.1950/3a refers).

Nailstone Rd – Cliff Dobson **was thanked** for granting permission to cut back his trees and Mike Hague-Morgan and the Tree Warden **were thanked** for lopping branches which had been obscuring the street lights and disposing of the brash (p.1950/3a refers).

Noticeboard – licence had been received from LCC Highways (p.1948/5 refers)..

CDJO – Cllr Sarson **was thanked** for treating the *Welcome* signs with tung oil.

Kissing gates – the stile at the parish boundary on footpath S78 had been replaced by a kissing gate. The stile next to the bridge over brook on footpath S69 had also been replaced by a kissing gate, thanks to Market Bosworth PC. Both installation had been supported by grants from the H&BBC Communities Fund (p.1934/9, 1941/5e refer).

Church lamp – new drawings had been prepared, and Michael Clamp (Snarestone blacksmith) had agreed to fabricate for £365 (p.1953/5 refers).

Christmas lights – the lights would be put up at 10am on Thursday 5/12 (p.1924/3a refers).

A list of digital communications and reports received would be copied to each Councillor, and copies of any files would be forwarded on request. Additional written documentation would be circulated.

f) Members of the public

There were no questions or comments.

4. Appointment of four Representative Trustees to the Carlton Charity Lands

Cllr Sarson took no part in the discussion of this item and did not vote.

It was resolved that Mr C Brockhurst, Mr G Jackson, Mr A Tee and Mr I Sarson be appointed Representative Trustees for a term of three years.

5. Quotations for the construction of a noticeboard

The Community Equipment Grant Fund had been opened for applications in October (p.1948/5 refers). The maximum grant offered for noticeboards was £300, not 50% of the cost. The Clerk had sought quotations from three local joiners, but only one had responded

with a quote of £3,306.00 + VAT for construction and installation. **It was resolved** that the Clerk seek additional quotations.

6. Comments submitted on highway consultations in Market Bosworth

a) Proposed 20 mph speed limit

The PC strongly supported this proposal, but suggested that the 20mph speed restriction signs on Barton Road be moved a short distance to the north so as to be visible to southbound drivers before the corner.

b) Proposed limited waiting times

The PC supported this proposal, but suggested (1) that the 2-hr limit be extended to cover the Market Square, and (2) that the proposed loading bay on Main Street be doubled in length. The PC noted that the existing bus waiting bays were not shown on the drawing, and that this meant that at busy times traffic through the Market Place would be restricted to a single lane.

c) Proposed one-way system

The PC had reservations about this proposal. The drawing did not show the narrowing of the road through the Market Place which would result from the existing bus waiting bays and the introduction of echelon parking. At school times there were frequent tail-backs through the Market Place and along Rectory Lane, caused by school traffic in Back Lane. The PC was concerned that if the one-way system was implemented these tail-backs might extend into Park Street and lead to total gridlock in the village centre. The PC strongly recommended that this scheme be implemented for a trial period of six months so that the impact on local traffic flows could be fully evaluated.

7. Report 2024-15: Traffic and speed monitoring December 2023-October 2024

It was resolved that Report 2024-15 be approved.

8. Planning matters

a) Planning applications and appeals

There were none.

b) Comments submitted under delegated powers

Market Bosworth Neighbourhood Plan – the PC fully supported the Plan; asked why the Plan is for the period 2020-2039 when the H&BB Local Plan is for 2020-2041; suggested that land for additional residential development adjacent to site covered by Policy BD2 be identified for the avoidance of doubt and in order to avoid speculative proposals for development on other less suitable sites; para 5.2.1 suggested an additional aim - to maintain and improve walking and cycling routes and access to the countryside; Para 6.5.10 suggested the addition of a statement that these views and vistas, combined with a network of well-maintained walking routes are a significant element of the local tourism offering; Para 7.2.5 suggested additional aspirational projects: to create a pedestrian link between the Arboretum and the gated road, and to create an off-road link suitable for pedestrians, cyclists and mobility buggies between Sustrans 52, the Ashby Canal towpath, the Sedgemere site, the BD2 site allocation, York Close, and Market Bosworth town centre.

24/00831/OUT Outline planning application for the erection of up to 100 dwellings (including 40% affordable housing) with public open space, landscaping, sustainable drainage system (SuDS) a vehicular access point and the demolition of one residential dwelling. All matters reserved except for means of access (re-submission of 22/00167/OUT). Land north of Shenton Lane, Mkt Bosworth. PC Objected on grounds that the application site was not allocated for development in the Market Bosworth Neighbourhood Plan, the current H&BBC Local Plan or the Draft H&BBC Local Plan.

24/00849/FUL Installation of 55 x 530 watt solar panels to existing roof. Bosworth Marina, Carlton Road. PC had no objection.

24/00769/FUL Change of use of land and the siting of 9 single storey holiday lodges with vehicle parking and associated works (Revised scheme 23/00508/FUL). Kyngs Golf & Country Club, Station Rd, Mkt Bosworth. PC expressed concern that proposal might establish principle of dispersed holiday lodge development on this site; noted that site did not appear to have water, gas or electricity supplies and was not served by public transport; requested conditions that (i) the proposed lodges shall not be occupied until the golf course has been restored and is fully operational; (ii) occupation of the lodges is restricted to short term holiday lets; and (iii) the access track includes vehicular passing places at appropriate points.

24/00918/CLP Erection of detached ancillary outbuilding. Weston, Bosworth Rd. Permitted development. PC had no objection.

c) Planning applications and appeals determined

24/00544/FUL Proposed replacement dwelling, 39 Main St. Permission refused.

24/00513/FUL Erection of 4 holiday lodges and associated works (resubmission of 24/00027/FUL). Kyngs Golf & Country Club, Station Rd, Mkt Bosworth. Permission granted.

24/00561/CONDIT Variation of condition 2 (plans and elevation) for planning permission 20/00316/FUL. Replacement of existing fence. 60 Main Street. Permission granted (amended plans).

d) Planning enforcement matters

There were none.

9. Financial matters

a) Report 2024-13: Quarterly financial statement July-September 2024

The reported balances were checked against the relevant bank statements. **It was resolved that** Report 2024-13 be approved.

b) Report 2024-14: Preliminary financial estimates for 2025-26 version 1

The estimates were discussed and **it was resolved** that revised figures be presented for consideration at the Finance meeting in January.

c) Reimbursement of costs incurred by the Clerk

The Clerk presented his record of costs for examination, and **it was resolved** that costs of £376.64 be reimbursed, comprising £100 contribution towards broadband subscription, £247.76 costs, and £28.88 VAT.

The figures above included £66.40 + 12.08 VAT for materials for bench painting. **It was resolved** that this payment be shown separately in the R&P account book.

10. Date, time and place of the next meeting and meetings in 2025-6

It was resolved that the Annual Finance Meeting be held at 7pm on Wednesday 8th January 2025 in Saint Andrew's Community Hub, Main Street, Carlton.

It was resolved that meetings in 2025-6 be held on 12 March, 14 May (Annual Meeting), 9 July, 10 September, 12 November, and 14 January 2026 (Finance Meeting).

The meeting closed at 19:50 hrs.

Signed _____ **Date** _____

Abbreviations used in these minutes

H&BBC	Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council
LCC	Leicestershire County Council
LRALC	Leicestershire and Rutland Association of Local Councils
PC	Parish Council
UKSPF	United Kingdom Shared Prosperity Fund